Government investment in the Travancore Bank, Ltd.

198. * **Mr. Paul A. Thaliath :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of shares taken by Government in the Travancore Bank Ltd., and the amount paid on the same ;

(*b*) whether any amount has already been invested by them in the Bank as deposit ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (b) is in the affirmative, the total amount so invested as deposit ?

Mr. S. Narayana Aiyar (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 80,000 shares to the face value of Rs. 20,00,000.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Rs. 10 lakhs in fixed deposit and 1 lakh in current account.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath : May I know whether any amount has been deposited in any other local registered banks ?

Mr. S. Narayana Aiyar : No, Sir.

Agreement with the Travancore Bank, Ltd.

199. * **Mr. Paul A. Thaliath :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have entered into any agreement with the Travancore Bank Ltd. ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, whether they would be pleased to place a copy of the same on the table.

Mr. S. Narayana Aiyar : (*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Parliamentary Delegation.

200. * **Mr. N. Narayana Kurup :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any of the Parliamentary Delegation members had been to Trivandrum in January 1946 ;

(*b*) whether the Government had invited any member of the legislature to meet them ;

(*c*) who were the members so invited ;

(*d*) the reason for selecting these alone ; and

(*e*) whether the selection was made on any principle, territorial or communal ?

Mr. G. Narayanan Tampi (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*), (*c*), (*d*) and (*e*) Those whom the Government considered might usefully meet the Delegation were invited bearing in mind that many delegates from the State Congress had already met the Delegation at Delhi and elsewhere and put forward their contentions and allegations before them. The Parliamentary Delegation

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